

Central West Arizona Collaborative Fuels Group Charter

Purpose

The Southwest Coordinating Group (SWCG) has directed each zone to establish a Zone level Fuels Collaborative Group (Group) by February 1, 2006 to review, discuss and prioritize Hazardous Fuel Treatment projects planned to be implemented in the Zone each year, and to provide local smoke coordination. The Group will involve all Zone members and other non-federal partners engaged in hazardous fuel treatment work to participate in this collaborative process.

Collaborative Fuels Group Membership

Representatives from each of the following agencies and organizations will be included in the Group:

ASLD Forestry Division, Phoenix District	NPS Montezuma & Tuzigoot National Monuments
BIA Colorado River Agency	NPS Southern Arizona Office
BIA Fort Yuma Agency	NPS Tonto National Monument
BIA Pima Agency	USFS Prescott National Forest
BIA Salt River Agency	USFS Tonto National Forest
BIA San Carlos Agency	USFWS Bill Williams National Wildlife Refuge
BIA Truxton Canon Agency	USFWS Cibola National Wildlife Refuge
BIA Western Regional Office	USFWS Havasu National Wildlife Refuge
BLM Colorado River District	USFWS Imperial National Wildlife Refuge
BLM Phoenix District	USFWS Kofa National Wildlife Refuge

Group Duties and Procedures

1. Hazardous Fuel Treatment project, and smoke management coordination will be a standing agenda item at the Coordinating Group Spring meetings. A list of prioritized projects for treatments within Central West Arizona will be forwarded to the Arizona Interagency Coordinating Group Chairperson by April 1.
2. The Group will coordinate smoke management activities through Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division (ADEQ) and the Zone Dispatch Centers.
3. Each Agency will submit burn plans, as required, to ADEQ.
4. Each participating partner will actively participate in the Group to ensure adequate planning, implementation, communication and coordination of Hazardous Fuel Treatments and resulting Smoke Management activities.

Approved By:

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